# HEALTH NOTES

Mother.

I wish I had said more. So long, About your simple tasks I watched

you, dear; I knew you craved the words you did not hear;

I knew your spirit, brave and chaste and strong,

Was wistful that it might not do the And all its wistfulness and all its

Were in your eyes whenever I was

And yet you always went your way with song.

O prodigal of smiles for other eyes I led my life. At last there came a

When with some careless praise I turned away

From what you fashioned for a swee surprise. Ah, now it is too late for me to

My vase of myrrh-would God I had said more!

-By Zona Gale, in Saturday Evening Post.

### Wild Flowers for the Home Garden.

It should be remembererd that the flowers, the pictures and descriptions of which fill so much space in thecatalogues of the seedsmen, the flowers that stock the green-houses, that blended in a profusion of variety and beauty, or in masses of color, decorate the lawns of the wealthy, or are the delight of the public in our parks, were originally wild, and have been developed into new varieties and beauty by selection and culture. And it frequently happens that the flower of cultivation, in its wild life in its native home, attains a perfection of growth and bloom not seen elsewhere. The secret of this lies in the fact that each species of flower finds something in climate, soil, and locality, moist or dry, sunny or shaded, such as is required for its growth. When such are found they are carried off as prizes. And so it comes that the children of the country and city alike find a delight in gathering wild flowers which they do not get, and, for some reason, cannot, from the cultivated kinds. This is true, also, of the grown ups and grown olds, who, with the children find health and happiness and grow young again in such rambles in the woods and meadows, where the wild flowers grow, seeking with something of the old zest the treasure trove of childhood.

We have here a natural instinct, a eraving and striving to get back to nature, to rest tired brain and overwrought nerves on the bosom of mother earth, and were it not for this, with the constant strain, the push and rush, the hurry and worry of modern life, God only knows what would become of us.

And now, just here, a word and hint for our country friends-the fathers and mothers of our farm homes. If you would have your children grow up with you, instead of away from you; to have them attached to home scenes, home life,

and occupations, don't make it a matter of confinement in schoolhouses, and then of work indoors or out; not that we object to the latter-the habits of usefulness, helpfulness, and industry should have first place, but let it not be "all work and no play." Give a turn and a tone to it-educational in the root meaning of the word, a leading out of the child life into natural. Send them out in the early spring time, we will add through the summer and fall, to the fields and woods for wild flowers. Tell them where you have seen them and marked the spot in memory. What if they know it as well as you, your interest in the matter will lend a pleasure otherwise lost. The knowledge to the children that father and mother like what they like enables you to keep in touch with them.

Somewhere on the premises-it may be (as I know a case) under an old spreading apple tree, where the ground is moist and mellow-give the children a permit to make a plantation of wild flowers. And then give them a half holiday for the fields and woods. Let each have a small flat bottomed basket, the bottom lined with paper to keep the earth from sifting out; each provided with a digging tool of some sort -we will say a trowel made from a bit of sharpened lath or shinglewith the injunction not to dig out too many of a kind from one place. The multitude of children from our towns and cities (not to say those of older growth) who go gathering wild flowers, their inconsiderate greed and wastefulness, is rapidly telling on the fast diminishing stock of wild flowers in the fields and woods adjacent to our cities. Some varieties in localities once abundant have become almost extinct.

And now for a brief test, which we do not affirm to be by any means complete, of the flowers of the spring blooming period. There are the violets-blue, yellow, and whitetheir favorite locality being the banks of some runnig brook; the hepaticas, that bloom before the leaves appear; the delicate pink and white aneomonies; the spring beauties, the buttercups; the bloodroot; with its spiral cone of white petals; the white and purple trillum or wake robin; mandrake or what the children call umbrellas; the dog tooth violet; the graceful snakeroot lily, found in low, moist localities, with its dark green, mottled leaves, and the trailing arbutus. This is only a part of the advance guard of the sea-

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Let the children study the habit of growth of the flowers they gather, the locality where each grew, whether moist or dry, shaded or sunny, and in resetting them try to give them the same conditions as near as possible. The flowers they would naturally gather would be those at the time in bloom, and yet, if taken up with care, with earth about the roots, and when reset water put in the hole as made before the plant is put in it, they will generally go right on blooming, and eventually root and grow. The writer has even in the limited area of his lot just such a spot, which we call our wilderness. We have in it a collection of the wild flowers of the seasons from early spring until the

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